#### **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

### **Statement of Purpose**

The goal of the Board of Elections Office is to serve the public in an efficient and courteous manner and to provide well-planned and managed elections with immediate results. We will conduct fair, honest, and impartial elections that encourage and provide easy access for all registered voters.

#### **Outcomes**

- 1. Prepare for and conduct the following elections:
  - a. Primary Election for the City of Hickory October 6, 2009.
  - b. Municipal Elections for the eight municipalities and the Hickory and Newton-Conover School Systems November 3, 2009.
  - c. Primary Election May 4, 2010.
  - d. Be prepared to conduct a second primary (if required) on June 1, 2010.
- 2. Apply, by the mandated dates, all laws passed by the 2009 Long Session of the General Assembly.
- 3. The State of North Carolina is participating in the 2010 Census Redistricting Data Program as required by Federal and State law.
  - a. The process requires each County Board of Election office to review their maps as to ensure the accuracy of precincts and voter tabulation district lines. The process will take several months to complete and at the end of the process we will make the required changes to precincts, voter tabulation districts, State house districts, State senate district, and any other district lines as required by this program. At the conclusion, we will make corrections to our voter registration records and give notice of these changes to the voters as required.
  - b. The office will work with the cities/towns and the school systems, which will also be redistricting under the Census Redistricting Program.
- 4. Ensure the yearly preventive maintenance on all voting equipment is completed. This maintenance is conducted each year by the manufacturer to ensure each unit is operating properly for the upcoming year's elections. We currently have 46 M-100s, 65 iVotronics, and 42 AutoMarks that need to have maintenance work completed in the next year.
- 5. Plan a method with the Emergency Services Director on how to utilize the Community Alert System (CAS) to notify Catawba County voters on the locations and operating dates and hours for the one-stop voting sites before municipal and Countywide elections.

# **Board of Elections**

	2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Current	2009/10 Requested	2009/10 Approved	Percent Change
Revenues					
Federal	\$44,645	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
State	0	0	0	0	0%
Charges & Fees	76,956	200	127,795	127,795	63798%
General Fund	481,191	553,457	501,336	433,836	-22%
Total	\$602,792	\$553,657	\$629,131	\$561,631	1%
Expenses					
Personal Services	\$344,104	\$233,912	\$389,931	\$378,931	62%
Supplies & Operations	258,688	319,745	239,200	182,700	-43%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0%
Total	\$602,792	\$553,657	\$629,131	\$561,631	1%
Employees					
Permanent	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	0%
Hourly	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0%
Total	4.52	4.52	4.52	4.52	0%

Organization: 140050

## **Budget Highlights**

The budget includes operating funds for three elections: a municipal primary election for the City of Hickory, a municipal general election for all the County's eight municipalities, and a Countywide primary mid-term election in May 2010. Municipalities reimburse the County for expenses related to municipal elections which increased revenue from charges and fees and decreased the General Fund contribution to the department.